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SUBJECT: JOINT SUBCOMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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1. MEMBERSHIP: INDIAN EMBASSY HAS ALSO ASKED FOR NAMES AND/OR POSITIONS OF U.S. MEMBERS. AS INDICATED EARLIER, WE FORESEE POSSIBLY ONLY TWO STANDING MEMBERS PLUS OTHER REPRESENTATION DEPENDING ON AGENDA. AMBASSADOR OR HIS REP (PRESUMABLY SCIATT) WOULD BE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE, SUBJECT IN CASE OF WASHINGTON MEETINGS TO AVAILABILITY OF TRAVEL FUNDS. WE WILL PROVIDE INDIAN EMBASSY AND YOU WITH U.S. REPRESENTATION FOR FIRST MEETING AS SOON AS FINAL DECISIONS REACHED.

2. PREPARATIONS ON U.S. SIDES: WE HAVE NOTED YOUR HELPFUL LIST OF PROCEDURE AND OTHER ITEMS (PARA II REFTEL
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2) THAT NEED LOOKING INTO AND ARE CONSIDERING APPROPRIATE

ACTION HERE.

3. AGENDA FOR FIRST MEETING: SINCE S AND T SUBCOM WILL NOT RPT NOT HAVE PROGRAM FUNDS OF ITS OWN AND SINCE OPERATING AGENCIES HAVE MADE NO FIRM COMMITMENTS YET ON

ANY NEW PROGRAMS IN RESPONSE TO GOI SUGGESTIONS, FORMAL AGENDA ITEMS SHOULD BE PHRASED IN SUCH MANNER AS TO AVOID ANY IMPLICATIONS THAT ANY SUCH DECISIONS HAVE BEEN REACHED. THUS, WE WOULD NOT WISH TO MAKE SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO "FUNDING MECHANISMS" UNDER ITEM 2; WE WOULD WANT TO REPHRASE ITEM 3 TO INDICATE THAT THESE ARE POSSIBLE RATHER THAN AGREED AREAS FOR NEW PROGRAMS; AND WE WOULD REWORD ITEM 5 ALONG LINES "REVIEW AND IF FOUND FEASIBLE BY BOTH SIDES EXPAND CSIR-NSF EXCHANGE PROGRAM". WE DO NOT WISH ITEM 6 ON SEMINARS PUT FORWARD SINCE THIS IMPLIES COMMITMENT OF FUNDS AND ALSO PUTS SUBCOMMISSION IN OPERATIONAL RATHER THAN ADVISORY CAPACITY.

4. SUBJECT TO THESE RESTRICTIONS, YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP AGENDA WITH GOI ON AD REFERENDUM BASIS. INGERSOLL

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